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SUMMARY: ADDRESSING THE LTDP PART OF THE SUMMIT
COMMUNIQUE ON MAY 23 (DISCUSSION OF LTDP PUBLIC RELEASE
RELEASE REPORTED SEPTEL), DRAFTING GROUP ACCEPTED THE
DRAFT TEXT (REF A) RELATIVELY INTACT. THE MORE
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE DRAFT TEXT INCLUDED
(A) SUBSTITUTION OF EMPHASIS ON COOPERATION EFFORTS
FOR THE THREAT DISCUSSION IN PARA 2; (B) ADDITION
OF A TEXT IN BRACKETS IN PARA 4 QUALIFYING
TURKISH ACCEPTANCE OF THE LTDP TO REMOVAL OF ARMS
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RESTRICTIONS; (C) BRACKETING LANGUAGE ON STRENGTHENING
OF INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY IN PARA 4; AND (D) ADDITION
OF A CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH PLACING DEFENSE IMPROVEMENTS
IN A POLITICAL CONTEXT. THE DRAFTING GROUP WILL
DISCUSS A REVISED TEXT (SEPTEL) ON AN INSTRUCTED
BASIS ON MAY 25. END SUMMARY.

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1. CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTORY REMARKS. OPENING DRAFTING GROUP DISCUSSION OF THE LTDP PART OF THE SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE AND SEPARATE PUBLIC RELEASE ON THE LTDP (REF A)-- LATTER DISCUSSION REPORTED SEPTEL-- ON MAY 23, CHAIRMAN (ASYG MUMFORD) STATED THAT (A) BECAUSE THE LTDP SEGMENT OF THE COMMUNIQUE WAS PRECEDED BY A FULL TREATMENT OF THE POLITICAL CONTEXT, THIS OBIATED THE NEED FOR RECAPITULATING THIS SETTING; (B) THERE WOULD BE SEPARATE PUBLIC RELEASES ON BOTH THE EAST-WEST STUDY AND THE LTDP, WHICH THE NATO INFORMATION SERVICE WOULD PROVIDE TO THE PRESS; (C) AN INSTRUCTED SESSION ON THE LTDP DRAFTS WOULD BE HELD ON MAY 25; AND (D) HE HOPED ALLIES COULD REACH FINAL AGREEMENT ON THE TEXT OF THE LTDP PUBLIC RELEASE AT EVERE TO AVOID COMPLICATING AN ALREADY BUSY SCHEDULE IN WASHINGTON.

2. GENERAL COMMENTS. ALL WHO SPOKE EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FLAVOR AND LENGTH OF THE DRAFT TEXT. DUTCH REP (BUWALDA) STRESSED THAT THE LTDP PUBLIC RELEASE SHOULD NOT BE REFERRED TO AS AN ANNEX TO THE COMMUNIQUE AND COMMENTED THAT DISCUSSION OF THE COMMUNIQUE AFTER MAY 25 WOULD HAVE TO TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON. NO SUPPORT EMERGED FOR US REP'S (BADER) SUGGESTION THAT THE GROUP SHOULD FIRST ADDRESS THE FACTUAL AND LESS CONTENTIOUS LTDP PUBLIC RELEASE BEFORE TACKLING THE COMMUNIQUE. THE GROUP AGREED INSTEAD WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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CANADIAN REP'S (BACON) SUGGESTION THAT THE DEFENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE WOULD BE THE PROPER FORUM FOR CONSIDERING THE LTDP RELEASE.

3. COMMUNIQUE STRUCTURE. NOTING THAT THE LATTER PARAGRAPHS OF THE CURRENT DRAFT OF THE COMMUNIQUE (REF B) RELATED TO DEFENSE ISSUES, CANADIAN REP REMARKED THAT THIS PROVIDED AN APPROPRIATE LEAD-IN TO THE LTDP PART, BUT ASKED RHETORICALLY HOW THE TRANSITION BETWEEN THE TWO PARTS WOULD BE HANDLED, STATING THAT CANADA PREFERRED INDICATING THE SEPARATION BY THREE DOTS RATHER THAN ROMAN NUMERAL HEADINGS INDICATING PARTS ONE AND TWO. FACED WITH THIS DIVISION, TO RELATE THE SECOND PART TO THE LARGER SUMMIT CIRCUMSTANCES, CANADIAN REP EXPRESSED THE NEED FOR AN "UPBEAT" CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH (SEE DISCUSSION IN PARA 5 BELOW). RESPONDING TO CHAIRMAN'S QUERY REGARDING HANDLING OF COMMUNIQUE DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON, DUTCH REP REMINDED THAT THE FRENCH HAD INSISTED THE DRAFTING OF THE TWO PARTS WOULD HAVE TO REMAIN SEPARATE.

4. SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO LTDP PART OF COMMUNIQUE:

. PARA 1. TO AVOID POSSIBLE CONFUSION CONCERNING WHICH BODY (AT13 OR 15) THE PHRASE "THE REVIEW" IN THE FIRST LINE REFERRED TO, THE DRAFTING GROUP AGREED TO REWORD THE FIRST CLAUSE TO READ: "ON THE BASIS OF THE STUDY OF LONG TERM TRENDS IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS AFFECTING WESTERN SECURITY...".

. PARA 2. IN VIEW OF THE AMPLE REFERENCES TO THE WARSAW PACT BUILD-UP IN PARA 16 OF THE PRECEDING

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PART OF THE COMMUNIQUE, DRAFTING GROUP AGREED WITH DUTCH REP'S SUGGESTION TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO WARSAW PACT ACTIONS IN THE FIRST SENTENCE WITH LANGUAGE EMPHASIZING COOPERATIVE EFFORTS DRAWN FROM PARA 48(C) OF THE LTDP REPORT (DPC/D(78)7). NO SUPPORT WAS SHOWN FOR FRG REP'S (VON SANDRART) SUGGESTION THAT THE LISTING OF THE LTDP AREAS IN THE SECOND SENTENCE BE DROPPED.

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PARA 3. AT DUTCH AND FRG SUGGESTION, THE REFERENCE TO THE NEED FOR "ADDITIONAL REAL RESOURCES" IN THE FIRST SENTENCE WAS DELETED.

. PARA 4. TURKISH REP (OZCERI), UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, CIRCULATED A TEXT, WHICH WILL APPEAR IN BRACKETS AT THE END OF THE PARA, THAT NOTED THAT TURKEY WOULD PREFER TO WITHHOLD HER VIEWS ON THE LTDP PENDING THE CONFIDENTIAL

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OUTCOME OF EFFORTS TO REMOVE ARMS RESTRICTIONS AND CLARIFICATION OF ALLIED READINESS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO ANKARA. US REP, SUPPORTED STRONGLY BY DUTCH AND CANADIAN REPS, STATED THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WOULD REGRET TURKISH INSISTENCE ON RETAINING SUCH LANGUAGE IN THE COMMUNIQUE, COMMENTING THAT THE TEXT WAS DIRECTED AT THE WRONG AUDIENCE AND COULD DETRACT FROM THE EFFORTS OF THE ADMINISTRATION TO REPEAL THE RESTRICTIONS. TURKISH REP, ON A PERSONAL BASIS, AGREED THAT THE TEXT WAS NOT FITTING FOR THE COMMUNIQUE AND, SUGGESTING THAT ANKARA HAD MADE A HASTY DECISION ON THIS MATTER AFTER RECEIVING THE DRAFT TEXT EARLIER IN THE DAY, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT IN RESPONSE TO EXPRESSED ALLIED CONCERN AND WITH MORE TIME FOR REFLECTION THE TEXT WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY.

. - AT DUTCH AND CANADIAN REPS' SUGGESTION, DRAFTING GROUP AGREED TO DELETE REFERENCE TO "IMPLEMENTATION" OF THE LTDP IN THE SECOND SENTENCE OF PARA 4 ON THE GROUNDS THAT "EXPRESSING SUPPORT" FOR THE LTDP IMPLIED SUPPORT FOR IMPLEMENTATION. DUTCH, FRG AND UK (HOLMES) REPS ARGUED FOR THE DELETION OF THE LAST CLAUSE OF THE SECOND SENTENCE, WHICH REFERS TO "STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY" BECAUSE (A) THE ISSUE REMAINED CONTROVERSIAL, (B) IT WAS A MINOR MATTER NOT APPROPRIATE FOR A SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE, AND (C) IT COULD HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON EUROPEAN PUBLICS WHICH WERE OPPOSED TO ANY EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL STAFFS. US REP RESPONDED THAT THIS REFERENCE TO STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY DID NOT REFLECT A CRITICISM OF THE NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF, BUT WAS INTENDED TO PROVIDE CONFIDENTIAL

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SUPPORT FOR A STRENGTHENING OF THAT STAFF IN LIGHT OF NEW DEMANDS, AND COULD HAVE A SALUTARY EFFECT ON US CONGRESSIONAL AND PUBLIC ATTITUDES. AT US REP'S INSISTANCE, THIS PHRASE WILL APPEAR IN BRACKETS IN THE REVISED TEXT.

5. CONCLUDING PARAGRAPHS. COMMENTING THAT THE LTDP PART OF THE COMMUNIQUE SHOULD INCLUDE A CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH THAT WOULD PLACE DEFENSE IMPROVEMENTS IN A "POLITICAL CONTEXT," CANADIAN REP CIRCULATED A PROPOSED TEXT. THE THRUST OF THE CANADIAN TEXT WAS THAT ALLIES WERE NOT SEEKING "ABSOLUTE SECURITY" OR "SUPERIORITY," RATHER DEFENSE IMPROVEMENTS WERE DIRECTED TOWARD MAINTAINING A SATISFACTORY MILITARY BALANCE INDISPENSABLE FOR CONTINUED FREEDOM AND FURTHERANCE OF DETENTE. THOUGH CHAIRMAN AND SEVERAL REPS NOTED THAT THESE POINTS ALREADY WERE INCLUDED IN THE FIRST PART OF THE COMMUNIQUE AND OPPOSED STRONGLY USE OF THE TERMS ABSOLUTE SECURITY AND SUPERIORITY, CANADIAN REP ARGUED THAT THE LINKAGE TO ARMS CONTROL AND DETENTE SHOULD BE RESTATED IN THE SECOND PART AS WELL TO AVOID ANY IMPLICATION THAT THERE WAS A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE BETWEEN THE ALLIANCE AT 15 AND AT 13. AS A COMPROMISE, DRAFTING GROUP AGREED, SOMEWHAT RELUCTANTLY, TO ADD A CONCLUDING PARAGRAPH THAT WOULD TAKE ON BOARD THE ESSENCE OF THE CANADIAN TEXT, NOTING THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF EQUITABLE ARMS CONTROL MEASURES, A SATISFACTORY BALANCE INDISPENSABLE FOR CONTINUED FREEDOM AND THE FURTHERING OF DETENTE COULD ONLY BE ASSURED THROUGH INCREASED DEFENSE EFFORTS.

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6. DRAFTING SCHEDULE. THE DRAFTING GROUP WILL DISCUSS
A REVISED TEXT OF THE LTDP PART OF THE COMMUNIQUE
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